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Today's Topics:

Emergency transmissions
Re: CW ... My view.
VK Licence

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herein consists of personal comments and does not represent the official
policies or positions of any party. Your mileage may vary. So there.

Date: Wed, 13 Jul 94 03:35:15 GMT
From: netcomsv!netcomsv!skyld!jangus@decwrl.dec.com
Subject: Emergency transmissions
To: ham-policy@ucsd.edu

More food for the armchair lawyers to fight over.

If you're on a commercial airline, and you have a life threatening
emergency, can you use your HT to request help? Can you use it in
the commercial aircraft band is so modified?

73 es GE from Jeff

Amateur: WA6FWI@WA6FWI.#SOCA.CA.USA.NOAM | "You have a flair for adding
Internet: jangus@skyld.grendel.com | a fanciful dimension to any
US Mail: PO Box 4425 Carson, CA 90749 | story."
Phone: 1 (310) 324-6080 | Peking Noodle Co.

Hate "Green Card Lottery"? Want to help curb ignorant crossposting on Usenet?
E-mail ckeroack@hamp.hampshire.edu for more information, or read news.groups.

Date: Wed, 13 Jul 1994 13:43:38 GMT
From: ihnp4.ucsd.edu!swrinde!cs.utexas.edu!wotan.compaq.com!
twisto.eng.hou.compaq.com!news@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: Re: CW ... My view.
To: ham-policy@ucsd.edu

>>>I support your right to use CW if you wish. I will not ask that it be
>>>banned.

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>>Decent of you.

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>Yes, too bad the pro-cw-testing group are not as decent. Forcing someone
>to learn one mode over another when no single mode is the end all to RF
>is, plainly, silly.

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>Dan

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Exactly my point. No single mode is an end all. Therefore we should strive to
learn as many as possible. Many people considered the Advanced test to be
the hardest of all the exams, mostly because it covered the more bizarre modes:
RTTY et. al., SSTV, ATV, and fax. No surprise that some people consider the
CW test to be the most difficult, but it must be included to provide any operator
with a well rounded expertise in all the available modes.

It is surprising how many ops on VHF SSB can't switch over to CW to make a QSO
during weak signal conditions. That's a shame.

Earl Morse

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"If you don't know the code you're only getting half a band."

Date: 13 Jul 1994 09:00:52 GMT
From: ihnp4.ucsd.edu!dog.ee.lbl.gov!agate!howland.reston.ans.net!swrinde!pipex!
warwick!news.shef.ac.uk!stoat5!me2ggc@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: VK Licence
To: ham-policy@ucsd.edu

I currently hold a VK (restricted) licence and it will run out by the end of
August 94. I am no longer residing in Sydney but can anyone tell me if I can
still continue to hold this licence, even if I am not in Aust. anymore?

Thanks.

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Date: Wed, 13 Jul 1994 11:27:17 GMT
From: ihnp4.ucsd.edu!agate!blanket.mitre.org!world!drt@network.ucsd.edu
To: ham-policy@ucsd.edu

References <1994Jul14.215649.7590@ke4zv.atl.ga.us>,
<070694023831Rnf0.78@amcomp.com>, <1994Jul12.163536.884@ke4zv.atl.ga.us>
Subject : Re: Existing regulations limit our advancement.

Gary Coffman (gary@ke4zv.atl.ga.us) wrote:

: Now this wouldn't mean much *except* that page 1-12 says that the
: interpretations presented in the book are FCC approved interpretations
: of the rules, and are backed by original intent during rulemaking and
: by case law.

Oh, dear. Reverse autopatch is in deep trouble. That "FCC approved"
stuff is still in the book (on page 1-10), and page 14-9 has the following:

"No unlicensed person may initiate an amateur transmission. Incoming
calls, as previously mentioned, must be answered and screened off the
air by the control operator (who must be a licensed amateur) to ensure
rule compliance. The use of a reverse autopatch is permitted only
under very limited condition."

I ignored this because I figured that is was merely ARRL opinion and I
couldn't find any "answered and screened" language in the actual
rules, only a responsibility to somehow insure rules compliance. If
actual FCC interpretation is behind that paragraph, the "telemetry"
excuse is out of court and reverse patches are nearly useless after
all.

-drt

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Date: 13 Jul 1994 11:17:53 -0400
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news1.digex.net!digex.net!not-for-mail@network.ucsd.edu
To: ham-policy@ucsd.edu

References <378@doghouse.win.net>, <2vsae6\$fsv@chnews.intel.com>, <071294174505Rnf0.78@amcomp.com>
Subject : Re: Does CW as a pre-req REALLY Work?

If the code requirement is removed but a REAL technical test is used, I'm afraid we'd have a new group of lids unable to copy, let alone send (unless they're using their computers, and we know how well computers copy, don't we?) Anyway, I'll always favor a minimum CW requirement at the very least.

Andy N3LCW, CW mobile...

Date: 13 Jul 1994 11:18:28 -0400
From: ihnp4.ucsd.edu!swrinde!howland.reston.ans.net!news.intercon.com!
news1.digex.net!digex.net!not-for-mail@network.ucsd.edu
To: ham-policy@ucsd.edu

References <Csrn6B.Ant@news.hawaii.edu>, <2vuh10\$9mr@chnews.intel.com>, <CsuFws.L8u@news.Hawaii.Edu>mai
Subject : Re: Does CW as a pre-req

In article <CsuFws.L8u@news.Hawaii.Edu>, Jeffrey Herman wrote:
> In article <2vuh10\$9mr@chnews.intel.com> CecilMoore@delphi.com writes:
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> But Cec, we don't see half of all transportation being conducted via
> horses. But that IS the case with CW, where about half of all QSO's
> on HF are conducted using code. Count 'em! And CW-only radios are
> selling briskly (reference: QRP newsgroup).
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>...
> Jeff NH6IL
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CW, the mode that all international intelligence agencies view as the most effective comm method.

Andy

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news1.digex.net!digex.net!not-for-mail@network.ucsd.edu
To: ham-policy@ucsd.edu

References <40.7746.2426@channel1.com>, <Csrn6B.Ant@news.hawaii.edu>, <2vuh10\$9mr@chnews.intel.com>.digex.n
Subject : Re: Does CW as a pre-req

In article <2vuh10\$9mr@chnews.intel.com>, CecilMoore@delphi.c wrote:
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> You have hit the nail on the head as to what is wrong with ham radio today.
> ...too much history and not enough science, engineering, and mathematics.
> Come on, Jeff, we are approaching the 21st century. Morse code is to
> radio what horses are to transportation.
>
> 73, KG7BK, OOTC, CecilMoore@delphi.com
>
Everyone's screaming about CW being ancient compared to digital; what the heck is CW anyway, carrier-ON, carrier-OFF, that's as digital as you're going to get. I think someone missed the technical point of what true digital communications is...perhaps add advanced technology to a tried and tested mode; synchronous CW anyone?

Andy N3LCW

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